## FAA to Hold Virtual Public Workshops on Florida Metroplex

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will hold 12 Virtual Public Workshops from June 3 to June 12 on the <u>Draft Environmental Assessment</u> (EA) for the South-Central Florida Metroplex project, the agency's plan to modernize air traffic procedures for 21 airports in the southern half of the state.

Residents can view the schedule and register to attend a virtual workshop at <u>Community Involvement South Central Florida</u>. During the workshops, the FAA will give an overview of the Draft EA, and environmental and air traffic control experts will be available to answer questions. Additional information about the project, including previous public outreach activities, also is posted on the webpage.

On May 11, the agency posted the Draft EA and opened a 60-day public comment period which ends on July 10. The FAA expects to issue an environmental determination in September 2020, after it considers and reviews all substantive comments received during the comment period. The public can review the Draft EA and submit comments.

The satellite-based routes proposed for the South-Central Florida Metroplex project will enhance safety and efficiency across the region.

The agency conducted the Draft EA in accordance with the <u>National Environmental Policy Act of 1969</u> (NEPA), which requires the FAA to identify and publicly disclose the potential environmental impacts of the proposed procedures.